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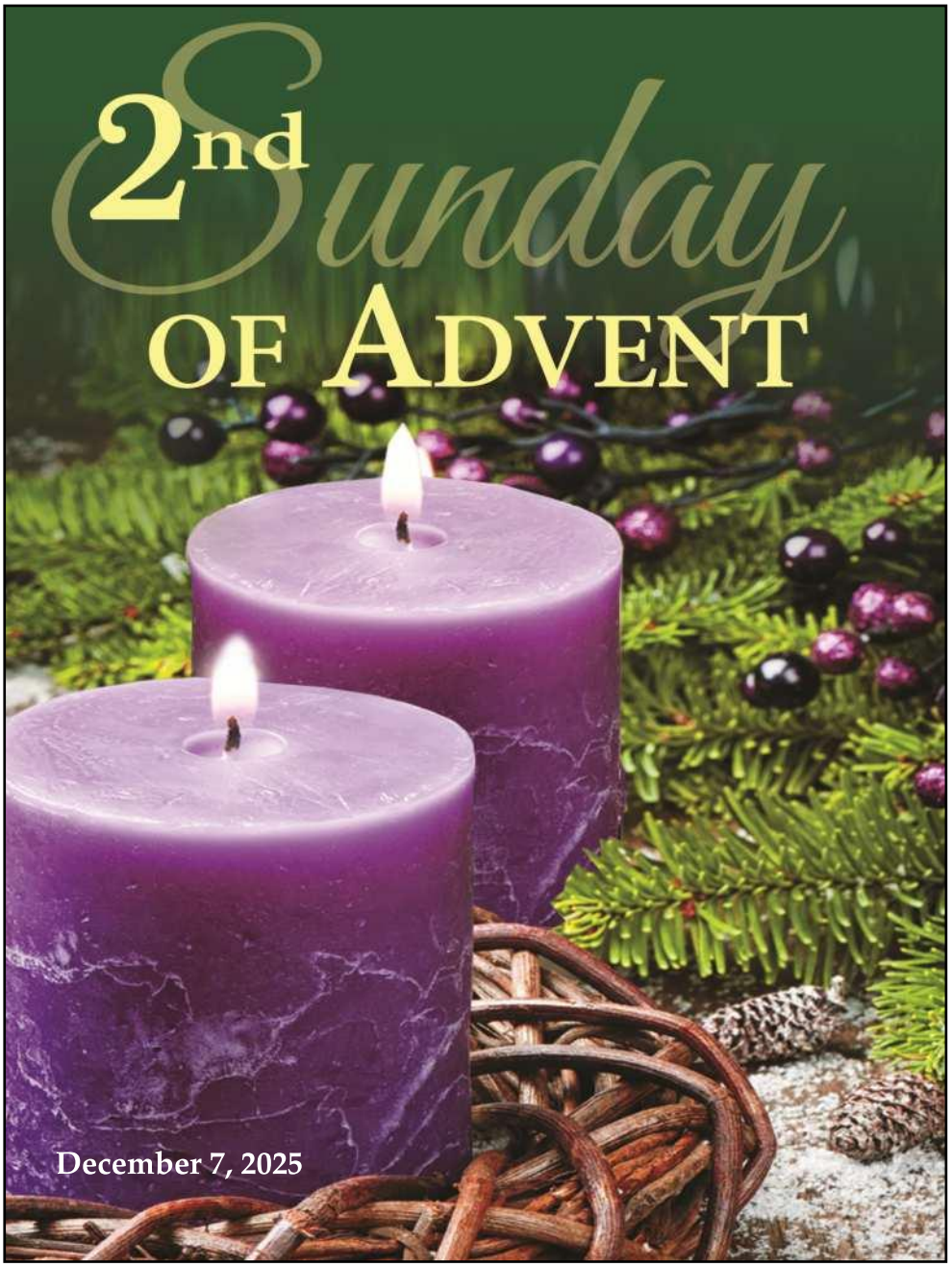

Mass Times

Wednesday 9:30 am
Sunday 9:00 am,
11:00 am & 5:00 pm

Adoration

Sunday 3:00 pm-4:45 pm
Tuesday 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
Wednesday 3:00 pm-7:30 pm

Confession

Sunday 3:00 pm-4:45 pm

Church open for prayer

Monday-Friday 9 am-12 pm

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9 am-12 pm
Fridays by appointment

Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 7
9:00 am: For the repose of the soul of Susy Spence Strong req. by Paul and Cathryn Graveline
11:00 am: For the repose of the soul of Barbara Sigda req. by Bruno Sigda and Family
5:00 pm: For the intentions of our Parish Family

Monday, December 8
6:30 pm: For the souls in purgatory req. by Rocio Lopez

Wednesday, December 10
9:30 am: For the souls in purgatory req. by Rocio Lopez

Sunday, December 14
9:00 am: For the repose of the souls Veronica Guczwa and Gail Boone on the fifteenth anniversary of their deaths req. by Mary Ann Blaszak and Shelley Boone Blaszak
11:00 am: For the repose of the souls of Anna and Stanislaw Sigda req. by Bruno Sigda and Family
5:00 pm: For the intentions of our Parish Family

Observances for the week of December 7, 2025

Sunday:	2nd Sunday of Advent
Monday:	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday:	St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin
Wednesday:	Our Lady of Loreto
Thursday:	St. Damasus I, Pope
Friday:	Our Lady of Guadalupe
Saturday:	St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr
Next Sunday:	3rd Sunday of Advent

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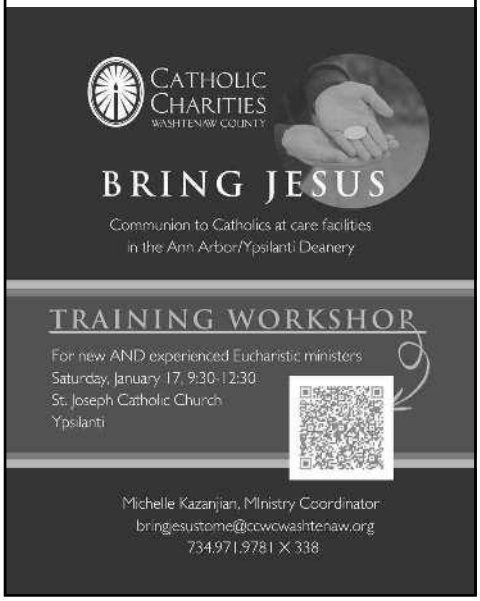
Waiting for Jesus!

Advent is a time when we reflect on waiting for Jesus. Have you ever thought about those who might be waiting for YOU to bring *Him* to *them*? Isolated members of our Catholic community need Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to visit them and ***Bring Jesus!***



RECONCILIATION TIMES

Confessions heard on all Sundays in Advent.
Extra confessors are available at St. Joseph on
Sunday, December 14
3:00 to 4:45 pm

Other Opportunities with multiple confessors:
Saturday, December 6 @ Christ the King 9:00 am
Saturday, December 13 @ St. John the Baptist 9:00 am

Christmas Flower Envelopes are due today

St. Andrew Christmas Novena

Is a prayer said from Nov. 30, the Feast of St. Andrew, through Christmas Eve. Traditionally, it is recited 15 times each day.

The prayer of the novena reads: **"Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen."**

Our Weekly Offering
November 23 , 2025

Budget: 7,290
Cash and Checks: $3,526
# of envelopes used: 52
Online Giving: $3,905
TOTAL OFFERING: **$7,431**

Our Weekly Offering
November 30, 2025

Budget: $7,290
Cash and Checks: $4,701
# of envelopes used: 44
Online Giving: $3,209
TOTAL OFFERING: **$7,910**

GOD BLESS YOU AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

From Father Pieter

Greetings! Today we prepare our hearts to receive Jesus anew through "repentance," turning our hearts and minds toward the Lord. But how can we repent? How can we experience lasting change in our lives? Indeed, many times we might feel like Paul in Romans, *wanting what is right but stuck in sin*. Thanks be to God for Jesus! He is the "shoot" from the stump of Jesse; He gives us life and hope! Turn to Him who is merciful and share your heart and struggles with him, so He can heal you day by day. Come, Lord Jesus!

What's Happening at St. Joseph?

Giving tree: Thank you for sharing Christ's work in our world by supporting Hope Clinic through our giving tree! You can take an envelope from the tree or donate a tangible item listed on the flyer at the tree base.

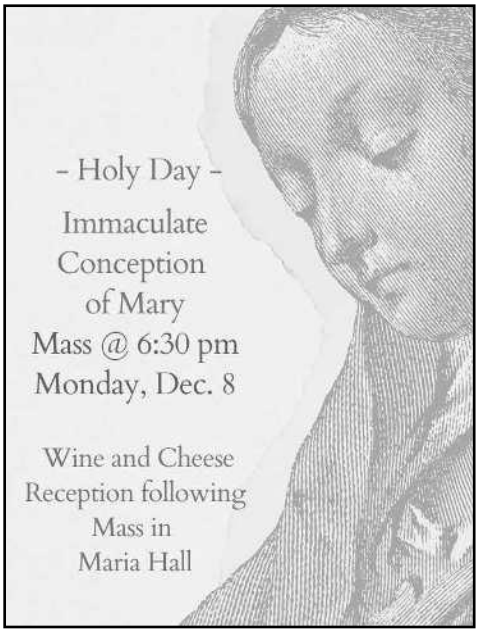
Resisting gender ideology: The Michigan Catholic Conference noted a recent development in public education around gender ideology. Earlier this Fall, the State Board of Education approved health education standards for public schools that recommend discussion around terms such as "gender identity" and "gender expression" as early as grade six (11- to 12-year-olds). Specifically, according to the standards, teachers would be advised to "define gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation, and explain that they are distinct components of every individual's identity," and to "explain how biological sex, gender identity, and gender expression are distinct concepts and how they interact with each other." In other words, the new standards encourage teaching children that biological sex and gender are not only distinct but separable (which promotes the false concept that gender can be personally self-determined). To be sure, we must give compassion and love to people who struggle with their self-identity, but this kind of gender theory causes confusion and hurts children in often harmful and irreversible ways.

What can we do? If you are a parent of public-school children it is important to stay informed and engaged. Under state law, parents have the right to receive prior notification of, and the opportunity to review, content related to sex education, as well as the right to opt their children out of sex education. If a public school does choose to offer sex education, it must form a local advisory board to help guide what topics are presented. Also, since the gender ideology concepts were present within the broader standards for health education, it will be important to be mindful of content presented as health education curricula, even apart from any separately-offered sex education.

In general, again, I urge parents to consider sending your children to Catholic schools (or homeschool options). Please don't let the cost be an obstacle to applying (seek financial aid and speak with me about how to afford the cost). Catholic education requires financial sacrifice, but helped by our parish, diocese and each Catholic school, we can make it possible for any family to raise their children in our faith.

Catholic Movie Night
Meet John Doe

This Frank Capra drama-comedy highlights the spiritual and corporal works of loving our neighbor; those "John Doe's" out there. Lisa and Michael Sapienza will be hosting the film at their home on **Friday December 19th**. Please come at 7:00 PM for some fellowship before the film stats. RSVP if you are coming to Michael Sapienza at (734) 572-6471



Women of Joy

The winter session of Women of Joy, a Catholic Women's Bible Study, starts Friday, January 9. WOJ is reading and discussing Wisdom Literature: Song of Songs, Sirach, Wisdom and Revelation. Sign up for the next session of WOJ. Use the QR code to register or contact the office at office@sjypsi.com.

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